



FEDERAL ELECTION COMMISSION
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20543

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April 18, 1996

B. Keith Hill, Treasurer
Senate Victory Fund PAC
(FKA Cochran Committee)
P.O. Box 1331
Jackson MS 39225

Identification Number: C00202861

Reference: Year End Report (7/1/95-12/31/95)

Dear Mr. Hill:

This letter is to inform you that as of April 17, 1996, the Commission has not received your response to our request for additional information, dated March 27, 1996. This notice requests information essential to full public disclosure of your federal election campaign finances. To ensure compliance with provisions of the Federal Election Campaign Act (the Act), please respond to this request (copy enclosed).

If no response is received within fifteen (15) days from the date of this notice, the Commission may choose to initiate audit or legal enforcement action.

If you should have any questions related to this matter, please contact Neil Evans on our toll-free number (800) 424-9530 or our local number (202) 219-3580.

Sincerely,

John D. Gibson
Assistant Staff Director
Reports Analysis Division

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Dear Mr. Hill:

This letter is prompted by the Commission's preliminary review of the report(s) referenced above. The review raised questions concerning certain information contained in the report(s). An itemization follows:

-Schedule A of your report (pertinent portion(s) attached) discloses a contribution(s) from an organization(s) which is not a political committee registered with the Commission. In order for your committee to accept contributions from unregistered organizations into accounts used to influence federal elections, your committee should take steps to insure that the contributor(s) used permissible funds to make the contribution(s) to avoid violating 2 U.S.C. §5441a(f) and 441b or 11 CFR §102.5(b). Under 11 CFR §102.5(b), organizations which are not political committees under the Act and choose to contribute to federal committees must either: 1) establish a separate account which contains only those funds permitted under the Act, or 2) demonstrate through a reasonable accounting method that the organization has received sufficient funds subject to the limitations and prohibitions in order to make the contribution.

If the contribution(s) in question was incompletely or incorrectly disclosed, you should amend your original report with clarifying information. In addition, please clarify whether the contribution(s) received from the referenced organization(s) is permissible. To the extent that your committee has received impermissible funds, the Commission recommends that you transfer the impermissible funds to an account not used to influence federal elections or refund the impermissible amount(s).

to the donor(s) in accordance with 11 CFR §103.3(b). In order to protect the donor's interests, the Commission recommends that you inform the contributor(s) in writing to provide the donor(s) with the option of receiving a refund or granting written authorization for a transfer to another account.

Please inform the Commission of your corrective action immediately in writing and provide a photocopy of your check for the transfer-out or refund. Should you choose to transfer-out or refund the contribution(s), the Commission will presume the funds were impermissible if no statement from your committee provides information to the contrary. Transfers-out and refunds should be disclosed on a Schedule B supporting Line 22 or 28 of the report covering the period during which the transaction was made.

Although the Commission may take further legal action concerning the acceptance of prohibited contributions, prompt action by your committee in transferring-out or refunding the amounts will be taken into consideration.

-Schedule B of your report (pertinent portion(s) attached) discloses a contribution(s) which appears to exceed the limits set forth in the Act. 2 U.S.C. §441a(a) precludes a multicandidate committee from making a contribution to a candidate for federal office in excess of \$5,000 per election.

If the contribution(s) in question was incompletely or incorrectly disclosed, you should amend your original report with clarifying information. If you have made an excessive contribution, you should notify the recipient and request a refund of the amount in excess of \$5,000 and/or notify the recipient in writing of your redesignation of the contribution. In the best interest of your committee, all refunds and redesignations should be made within sixty days of the treasurer's receipt of the contribution(s).

Please inform the Commission of your corrective action immediately in writing and provide a photocopy of the refund request sent to the contributor. In addition, any refunds should be disclosed on Schedule A supporting Line 15 of the report covering the period during which they are received. Any redesignations should be disclosed as memo entries on Schedule B supporting Line 23 of the report covering the period during which the redesignation is made. 11 CFR §110.1(b)

Although the Commission may take further legal action regarding the excessive contribution(s), your prompt action in obtaining a refund and/or redesignating the contribution(s) will be taken into consideration.

-Your report discloses limited payments for administrative expenses. Administrative expenses are payments made for the purpose of operating a political committee including, but not limited to, rent, utilities, salaries, telephone service, office equipment and supplies. Any such payments to a person aggregating in excess of \$200 in a calendar year must be disclosed on Schedule B supporting Line 21(b) of the Detailed Summary Page. 2 U.S.C. §434(b)(5) If these expenses are being paid by a connected organization, your Statement of Organization must be amended to reflect this relationship. 2 U.S.C. §433(b)(2) In addition, if expenses have been incurred but not paid in a reporting period, the activity should be disclosed as a debt on Schedule D, if the obligation is \$500 or more, or outstanding for sixty days or more. 11 CFR §104.11

Any goods or services provided to your committee by a person, except volunteer activity (i.e., a person's time), would be considered an in-kind contribution from that person, and would be subject to the disclosure requirements of 2 U.S.C. §434(b)(3) and 11 CFR §104.13, and the limitations and prohibitions of 2 U.S.C. §§441a and 441b.

Clarification regarding administrative expenses should be disclosed during each two year election cycle beginning with the first report filed in the non-election year. Please provide the necessary information regarding administrative expenses incurred by your committee and/or amend your report to disclose such expenses according to the referenced provisions of the Act and Commission Regulations.

A written response or an amendment to your original report(s) correcting the above problem(s) should be filed with the Federal Election Commission within fifteen (15) days of the date of this letter. If you need assistance, please feel free to contact me on our toll-free number, (800) 424-9530. My local number is (202) 219-3580.

Sincerely,



Neil Evans
Reports Analyst
Reports Analysis Division

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NAME OF COMMITTEE: The Senate Victory Fund, PAC

FULL NAME AND MAILING ADDRESS:	NAME OF EMPLOYER:	AMOUNT OF RECEIPT:
HiramOak Farmers Cooperative PAC 7525 Red River Road Mankato, MN 56009 9458 RECEIPT FOR: Primary	N/A OCCUPATION: N/A DATE: 9/29/95 AGGREGATE YEAR-TO-DATE: 1,000.00	1,000.00
Mississippi Power Company Federal PAC Post Office Box 4079 Gulfport, MS 39501 RECEIPT FOR: Primary	N/A OCCUPATION: N/A DATE: 10/27/95 AGGREGATE YEAR-TO-DATE: 1,000.00	1,000.00
Mobil Corporation PAC 3225 Ballows Road Fairfax, VA 22037 0001 RECEIPT FOR: Primary	N/A OCCUPATION: N/A DATE: 12/27/95 AGGREGATE YEAR-TO-DATE: 1,000.00	1,000.00
Mutual of Omaha Companies PAC Mutual of Omaha Plaza Omaha, NE 68175 RECEIPT FOR: Primary	N/A OCCUPATION: N/A DATE: 10/11/95 AGGREGATE YEAR-TO-DATE: 1,000.00	1,000.00
NACOS PAC 413 North Lee Street Alexandria, VA 22314 RECEIPT FOR: Primary	N/A OCCUPATION: N/A DATE: 9/29/95 AGGREGATE YEAR-TO-DATE: 1,000.00	1,000.00
National League of Postmasters PAC 1023 North Royal Street Alexandria, VA 22314 1569 RECEIPT FOR: Primary	N/A OCCUPATION: N/A DATE: 12/12/95 AGGREGATE YEAR-TO-DATE: 1,000.00	1,000.00
National Broker Council PAC 1155 Fifteenth Street, NW Suite 614 Washington, DC 20005 RECEIPT FOR: Primary	N/A OCCUPATION: N/A DATE: 9/29/95 AGGREGATE YEAR-TO-DATE: 2,000.00	2,000.00
SUBTOTAL of Receipts This Page		8,000.00

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FULL NAME AND MAILING ADDRESS:	NAME OF EMPLOYER:	AMOUNT OF RECEIPT:
American Maritime Officers PAC 850 Fourth Avenue Brooklyn, NY 11232 RECEIPT FOR: Primary	N/A OCCUPATION: N/A DATE: 9/29/95 AGGREGATE YEAR-TO-DATE: 2,000.00	2,000.00
American Physical Therapy Cong. Act. Comm. 1113 North Fairfax Street Alexandria, VA 22314 RECEIPT FOR: Primary	N/A OCCUPATION: N/A DATE: 9/16/95 AGGREGATE YEAR-TO-DATE: 1,000.00	1,000.00
ATLA PAC 1050 - 31st Street, NW Washington, DC 20007 RECEIPT FOR: Primary	N/A OCCUPATION: N/A DATE: 9/29/95 AGGREGATE YEAR-TO-DATE: 5,000.00	5,000.00
Auction Markets PAC/Chicago Board of Trade 141 West Jackson Boulevard Chicago, IL 60604 RECEIPT FOR: Primary	N/A OCCUPATION: N/A DATE: 11/22/95 AGGREGATE YEAR-TO-DATE: 1,000.00	1,000.00
Barnett People for Better Government 50 N. Laura Street Jacksonville, FL 32202 RECEIPT FOR: Primary	N/A OCCUPATION: N/A DATE: 9/29/95 AGGREGATE YEAR-TO-DATE: 1,000.00	1,000.00
Bell South Services Federal PAC 181, 3700 Colonnade Parkway Birmingham, AL 35243 RECEIPT FOR: Primary	N/A OCCUPATION: N/A DATE: 11/16/95 AGGREGATE YEAR-TO-DATE: 3,000.00	3,000.00
Better Government Fund of McDermott 1529 Wilson Boulevard Suite 100 Arlington, VA 22209 RECEIPT FOR: Primary	N/A OCCUPATION: N/A DATE: 12/12/95 AGGREGATE YEAR-TO-DATE: 1,000.00	1,000.00
SUBTOTAL of Receipts This Page		14,000.00

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NAME OF COMMITTEE: The Senate Victory Fund, PAC

FULL NAME AND MAILING ADDRESS:	PURPOSE OF DISBURSEMENT:	DATE:	AMOUNT OF DISBURSEMENT:
Bob Dole for President 810 First Street, N.E. Suite 300 Washington, DC 20002	Campaign contribution DISBURSEMENT FOR: Primary	9/29/95	4,000.00
JE FULL NAME AND MAILING ADDRESS: Gordon Smith for U. S. Senate 5285 SW Meadows Road Suite 181 Lake Oswego, OR 97035	PURPOSE OF DISBURSEMENT: Contrib - Primary Debt Ret. DISBURSEMENT FOR: Primary	12/15/95	1,000.00
JE FULL NAME AND MAILING ADDRESS: Gordon Smith for U. S. Senate 5285 SW Meadows Road Suite 181 Lake Oswego, OR 97035	PURPOSE OF DISBURSEMENT: Contrib - General DISBURSEMENT FOR: Primary	12/15/95	5,000.00
0 FULL NAME AND MAILING ADDRESS: Reelect Thurmond Committee Post Office Box 11691 Columbia, SC 29211 7691	PURPOSE OF DISBURSEMENT: Campaign Contrib. - Primary DISBURSEMENT FOR: Primary	12/26/95	5,000.00
SUBTOTAL of Receipts This Page			15,000.00
TOTAL This Period			15,000.00

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